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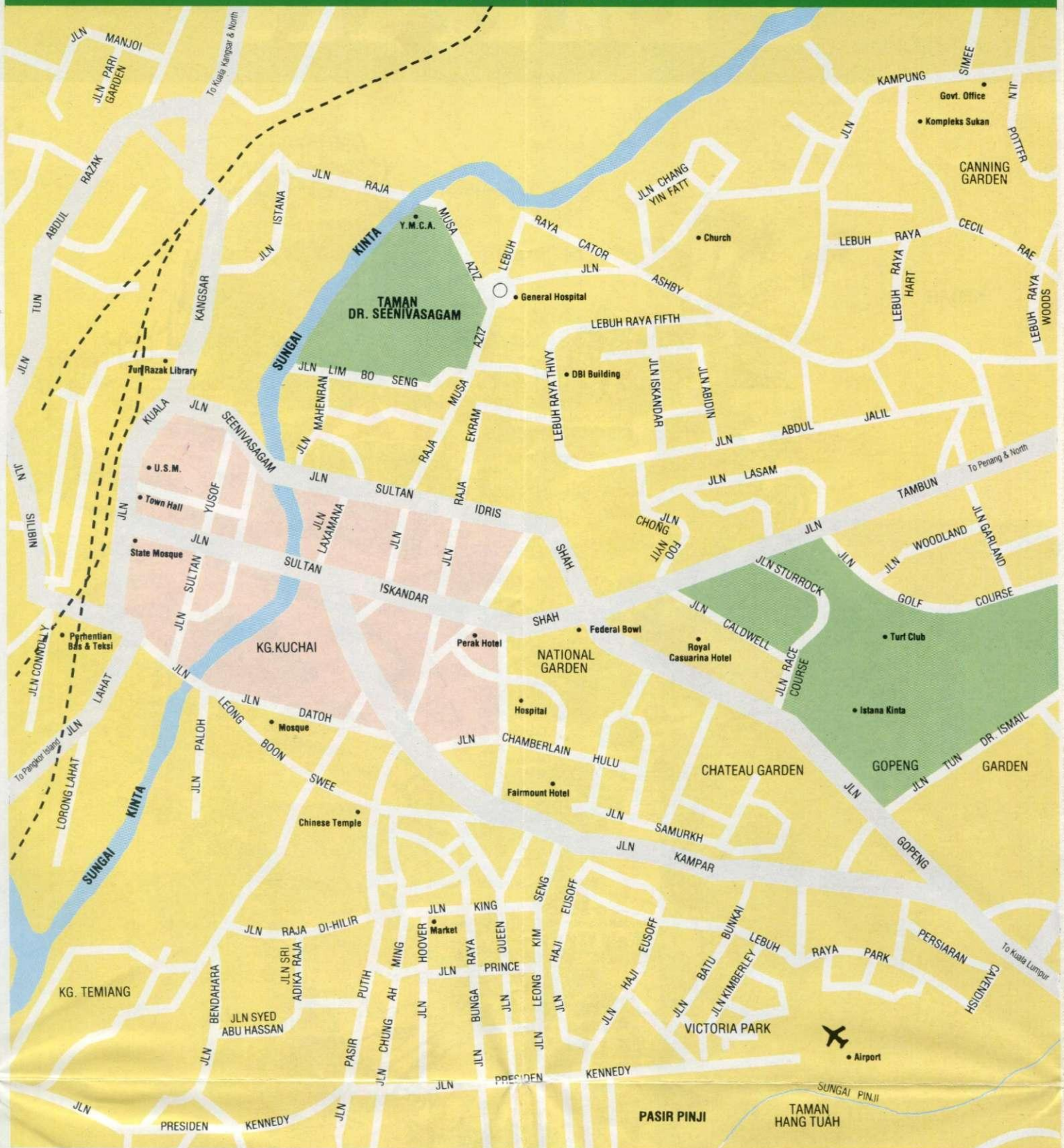
# MALAYSIA

## PERAK — GUIDE —





# IPOH CITY MAP



## PLACES OF INTEREST

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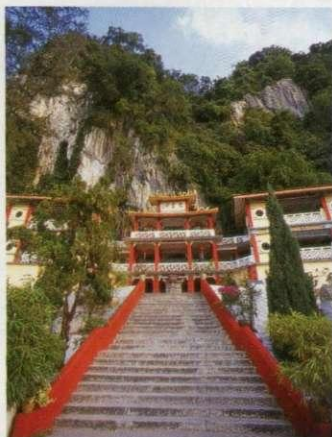
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Another famous cave temple is the Sam Poh Tong temple, located in Gunung Rapat, 5 km south of Ipoh. The temple is an impressive work of art and faith, with various statues of Buddha among natural stalactites and stalagmites. There is also a pond where visitors can feed tortoises, (symbol of longevity) with stalks of vegetables and a wishing well for those seeking better fortunes. Outside the temple is a vegetarian restaurant.

### Geological Museum

Established in 1957, the Geological Museum at Jalan Harimau in Ipoh houses a collection of over 600 samples of minerals, classified according to chemical content and structure. The museum is well-known for its exhibition of tin ore, including the best specimen of cassiterite in the world. There is also an impressive collection of fossils, precious stones and rock specimens.

Visiting hours are from 8.00 am to 4.15 pm (Mon-Fri) and 8.00 am to 12.45 pm (Sat). Admission is free but visitors must obtain entry permission from the information counter.



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The Dewan Bandaraya Ipoh Swimming Complex is the largest and most modern complex of its kind in South-East Asia and boasts an Olympic-size pool, a diving pool, a beginners pool, a children's pool – and the first ever wave pool in Malaysia. The complex is part of the Perak Sports Complex which also houses a stadium with a velodrome and astroturf field. The complex is open from 9.00 am to 9.00 pm daily.



### D R Seenivasagam Park

The fresh atmosphere and variety of flora are the main attractions of this park in Ipoh. Children can enjoy several recreational and amusement facilities such as the roller-skating rink, a playground and a mini-train course.

### Darul Ridzuan Museum

Opened on 18th Aug 1992, the museum is located in Jalan Panglima, Bukit Gantang Wahab, Ipoh. The collections here include a history of Ipoh's expansion and development, the mining industry and forestry in the state of Perak. The museum building has its own remarkable history. It was built more than 100 years ago. The building was used as the residence of Malay dignitaries in the Kinta District. When the British



Administration took over the building, the British built several fortresses as war shelters around the building. One of them was opened to visitors. The Museum Darul Ridzuan is open daily from 9am to 5pm except on Thursdays when it is open for half a day and is closed on Sundays. Entrance is free.





### Ipoh Railway Station

The Ipoh Railway Station bears close resemblance to its Kuala Lumpur counterpart and is affectionately known to locals as the Taj Mahal of Ipoh. An impressive landmark which combines Moorish architecture with modern embellishments, it is surrounded by a beautiful floral garden which serves as a charming welcome for tourists.

### Tambun Hot Spring

A 15-minute drive from Ipoh towards Tanjung Rambutan brings you to the foot of a limestone hill where a rejuvenating experience awaits you — an invigorating hot bath from a natural spring. The bath is open daily from 3.00 pm to 12.30 midnight. The facilities include saunas and restrooms. Entrance fee is RM4.50.

Other hot springs in Perak are at Sungkai, Pengkalan Hulu, Kampung Ulu Slim in Slim River, Kampung Air Panas in Grik, and Manong in Kuala Kangsar.

### Kuala Gula Bird Sanctuary

Kuala Gula is famous for the variety of exotic birds which come here to nest. Over 100 species of birds, some of them protected, have been sighted in this area. Mammals can also be seen here, among them the smooth otter, dusky leaf monkey, long-tailed macaque and the ridge-back dolphin. The best time to visit is between August and December, when thousands of birds can be seen in the area. For more information, contact the Department of Wildlife and National Parks, Ipoh (05-532411).



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### Royal Museum

Previously known as Istana Kenangan, Istana Tepas and Istana Lembah, the Perak Royal Museum is an amazing achievement in architecture. It was built without any architectural plans and without using a single nail. Situated near the Istana Iskandariah, the Sultan of Perak's official palace at Kuala Kangsar, the museum houses the Royal Regalia, photographs of the Royal Family, illustrations and artifacts of the past and present monarchy in Perak.

Open daily from 9.00 am to 6.00 pm

Admission is Free

### River Terrapin Breeding Project at Bota Kanan

A breeding farm for "Tuntung" (river terrapins or Batakur baska) is located at Bota Kanan, about 40km from Ipoh. Opened in 1967 by the state's Dept of Wildlife and National Parks, the primary aim of this project is the conservation of this species. To date the hatchery at Bota Kanan has released more than 25,000 hatchlings into the Perak River. Between November and March, visitors can witness migrating river terrapins laying eggs in the wilds.

Accommodation is available in the form of basic chalets. For more information, contact the Dept of Wildlife and National Parks, Ipoh (05-532411).



### Bukit Larut (Maxwell Hill)

Malaysia's oldest hill resort is located on Bukit Larut (formerly called Maxwell Hill), a mere 10-minute drive from Taiping. Situated at an altitude of 1034 metres, it is accessible only by four-wheel drive vehicles. The road up twists and turns through tropical virgin jungle, and fresh green fragrance and cool air greeting you as you ascend. At the summit you are treated to a spectacular view of the West Coast of the peninsula. Visitors can either stay at the Larut Resthouse or at the bungalows located at the top of the hill. For reservations contact the Superintendent of Bukit Larut, Taiping, Tel: 05-886241. A Land Rover service at the foot of the hill is available at hourly intervals from 7.00 am to 6.00 pm daily. Fares are RM2.50 for adults and RM1.00 for children.





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The construction of the mosque began in the reign of Sultan Idris Murshidul Adzam Shah I, the 28th Sultan of Perak, but was interrupted a number of times. Once, when two elephants belonging to Sultan Idris and Raja Chulan ran over the imported Italian marble floor, and again during the first World War. The mosque was officially opened by Sultan Jalil Karaamatullah Shah in 1917.



### Kellie's Castle

About 30 minutes drive from Ipoh, near Batu Gajah, stands the ruins of Kellie's Castle. It belonged to William Kellie Smith, an English rubber tycoon during the late 19th century. The castle was never completed as Smith left for England in the midst of its construction, and never returned.

Shrouded in dark mystery, it is believed that Kellie's Castle has hidden rooms and a secret tunnel. The road which leads to the Castle follows the contours of the land in a dizzying, maze-like fashion, adding to the mystery and romance of the place.



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### Perak Museum, Taiping

Built in 1883, the Perak Museum is the oldest museum in the country. It houses an impressive collection of ancient weapons, aboriginal implements, ornaments and archaeological treasures. Also on display are artifacts from Perak's rich historical culture and heritage. An excellent place to begin an in-depth study of the state and its past achievements.

Visiting hours: 9.30 am to 5.00 pm.

Admission — Free



### Taiping Lake Gardens

This 62-hectare park is one of the biggest and most beautiful parks in the country. It offers lush greenery, a beautiful lake abounding with freshwater fish, a gazebo and a colourful profusion of flowers.

The Taiping Zoo probably the oldest zoo in the country, is another attraction located within the Gardens.

Visiting hours: 10.00 am to 6.00 pm daily.

Admission is free

Admission to other facilities available at the Gardens include a 9-hole golf course, fishing and aquabiking in the lake area.



## Banding Island Resort

The Banding resort, 45km from Grik, is the ideal place for fishing enthusiasts and those who really want to get away from it all. This 103.6 hectares resort is situated next to the Temenggong Lake at the mid-point of the East-West highway. The lake contains fish of generous proportions and there is ample opportunity for trekking, camping and picnicking. At present, there is a modern restaurant and resthouse which provides comfortable accommodation. Plans are underway for expansion of the existing facilities.

For more information, contact 03-2521282.



## Lata Iskandar Waterfalls

The Lata Iskandar Waterfalls, on the way up to Cameron Highlands from Tapah, is an ideal picnic area and favourite stopover. Its surrounding jungle is home to one of the largest variety of exotic insects and plant life in the world. Traditional earthenware pottery is crafted at Kampung Kerayung.



## Sungkai Deer Farm

Situated in Menderang, Sungkai, about 82km from Ipoh, this deer farm is only one of its kind in the country. Established in 1978, there are approximately 100 deers roaming freely on this 100-hectare breeding and conservation project site. There is also an exotic bird sanctuary nearby. For more information, contact the Dept of Wildlife and National Parks at Sungkai (05-532411).

## Pasir Salak Historical Complex

Time seems to stand still in this little village besides a slow river. Pasir Salak is well-known for its ancient Malay architecture and craft: every



wooden house is decorated with intricate traditional designs and nature inspired motifs. Here, too, stands the memorial dedicated to the historical incident in which the first British resident in Perak, J.W.W. Birch was killed by the late Maharaja Lela, Dato' Sagor and Si Puntum. There are also two 'Kutai House' (Perak traditional house) inside the complex. These houses would display various local historical and Malay cultural artifacts.

## Cempaka Sari

Thinking of taking a break from the hustle and bustle of city life? The Cempaka Sari Rest House in Parit, Perak promises you peace and tranquility. Because of its calm surroundings, it brings you close to nature. The Rest House enjoys an attractive location by the Perak River and overlooks an enchanted island, Pulau Cempaka Sari. On its premises, stands a bridge specially built by a French film production company during the shooting of the film, "Indo - Chine".



## Lumut

Lumut is situated about 84km south of Ipoh and is well-known for its beautiful shell and coral handicraft. Mainly a fishing village, it is the departure point from the mainland for those wanting to visit Pulau Pangkor.

The annual Pesta Laut or Sea Festival is held at Teluk Batik, Lumut in October/November and attracts thousands of visitors. There are sea-sport competitions, cultural shows and food and fun fairs for young and old to enjoy. Please check with the Perak Tourist Information Centre for the actual date of Pesta Laut Lumut.

## Teluk Batik

About 6.5km from Lumut lies Teluk Batik, a favourite spot for campers, picnickers, swimmers and sun-lovers. The stretches of white sandy beach are ideal for whatever activity you have in mind. You can rent rooms and chalets along the beach at bargain prices. Contact the Manager of Teluk Batik Chalets (05-935544) for reservations.

## Pangkor Island

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It takes 40 minutes by ferry from Lumut to Pangkor Island; the fare is RM3.00. The modern facilities make it an ideal getaway. A wide range of sun and sea activities are available: scuba diving, wind-surfing, fishing, snorkelling. Following are the main attractions on the island:

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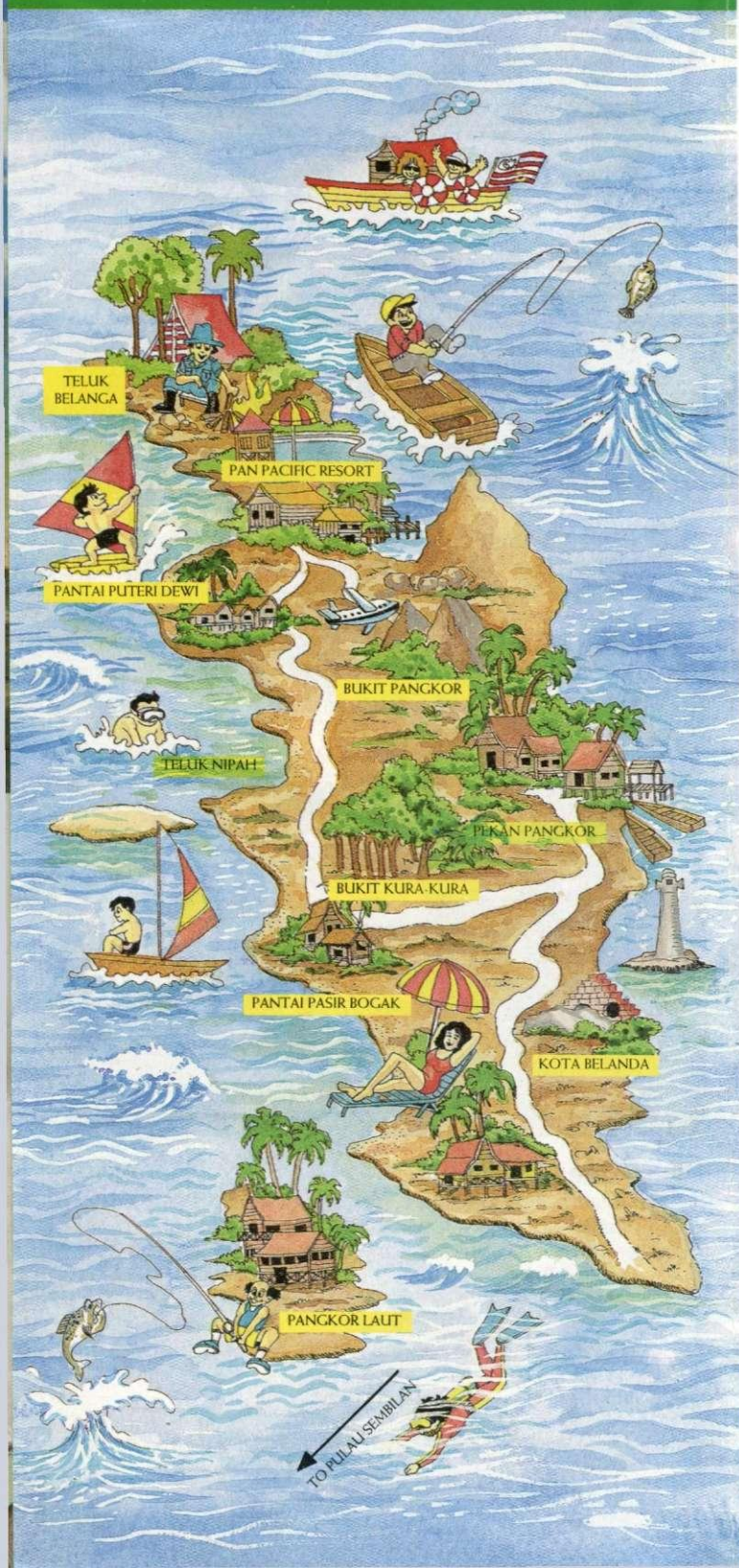




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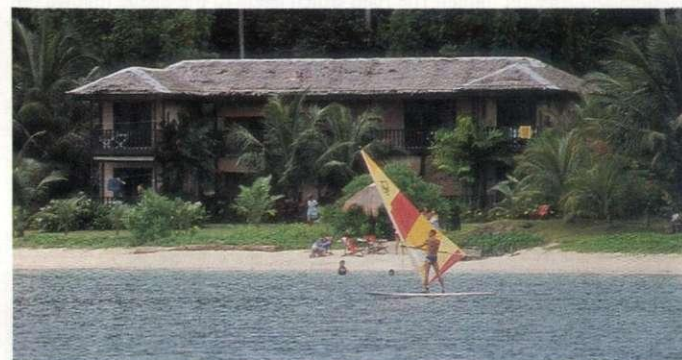


## Kota Belanda (Dutch Fort)

At Teluk Gedung lies the 300-year-old stone foundations of a Dutch Fort. Built in 1670, it was one of the Dutch strongholds against pirates and local Malays. The fort was abandoned after it was attacked by a local warrior, Panglima Kulub, and his followers. The National Museum undertook its reconstruction in 1973.

## Pantai Puteri Dewi (Golden Sands)

This beautiful beach paradise was named Pantai Puteri Dewi (literally, Beach of the Lovely Princess). Pan Pacific Resort Pangkor (03-2913757) situated along this stretch of beach offers elegant accommodation with 161 rooms, a sports hall, a golf course, convention rooms, and facilities for snorkelling and windsurfing.



## Pasir Bogak

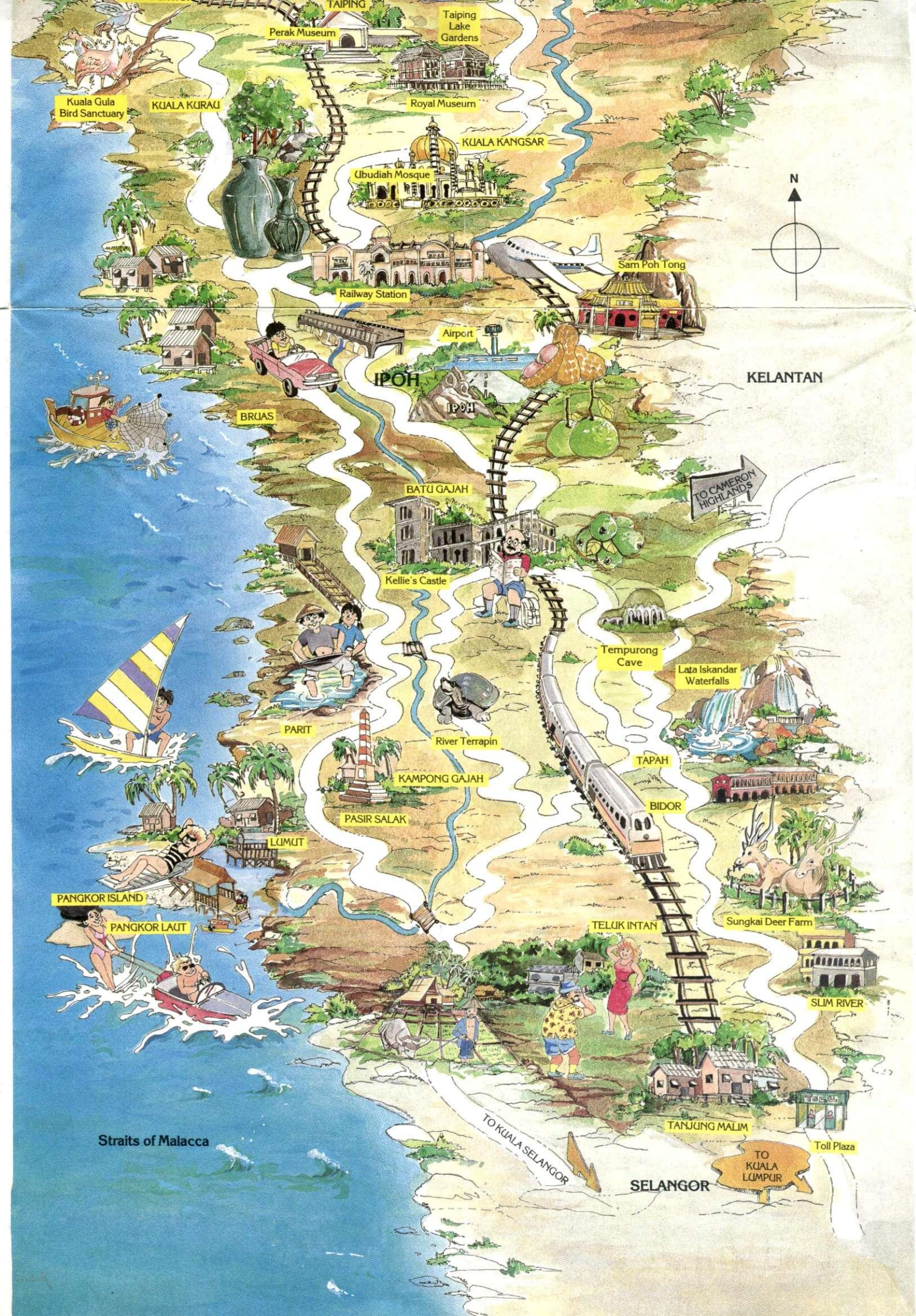
Here, the shallow crystal-clear water enables you to frolic in the water along the vast coral reef. Accommodation ranges from hotels, government resthouses to budget-wise attap huts.



# PERAK









### Teluk Nipah

This exotic bay on the coast is accessible by bicycle and motorcycle from Pasir Bogak, Teluk Ketapang and Teluk Belanga.

### Pangkor Laut Resort

Affectionately known as Fantasy Island, Pangkor Laut Resort is every tourist's dream come true, from the moment pretty maidens welcome visitors with garlands and warm genuine smiles. The resort offers international standard chalet-type accommodation with facilities for recreation, sea-sports, complete with gym and disco. For reservations, call 03-2416564 (Kuala Lumpur), 05-6851375, 6851973 (Pulau Pangkor).



### Ngah Ibrahim Fort

This Fort was built in 1857 by Ngah Ibrahim. The son of Long Jaafar, Ngah Ibrahim was appointed a Major Chief – Orang Kaya Menteri by the Sultan of Perak, Sultan Jaafar in 1863. Ngah Ibrahim was given authority to administer the whole of Larut and the Chinese tin miners who were working there. The Chinese tin miners were divided into two main clans – the Hai San and Ghee Hin. Fighting often broke out between the two clans. Ngah Ibrahim supported the Hai San. When the Hai San was defeated, the Ghee Hin attacked Ngah Ibrahim Fort and later occupied it. The Fort and Ngah Ibrahim's large house were badly damaged. The British intervened in Perak in 1874 and peace was restored but Ngah Ibrahim was returned to Matang and the Fort has remained a historic ruin.



### Tempurong Cave

Believed to have existed since about 8,000 years B.C., this limestone cave is one of the biggest in Malaysia.

Located 24km from Ipoh City, the cave, measuring 1.3km in length comprises five huge domes shaped like coconut shells. Each dome has stalactites and stalagmites with differing temperatures, water level as well as limestone and marble contents. This cave was once used by communist terrorists from the Eighth Brigade as their High Command for their get together and meetings. Around 1930, Gurkha soldiers discovered the cave and declared it off-limits. It was only restored in 1990.

To reach the cave, from the Ipoh Bus Station, take the bus for Gopeng or Kampar. Stop at Kampung Gunung Mesah Hilir and the path leading to the cave is about 5km from here.

Or contact the Ketua Kampung of Gunung Mesah directly via Tel No: 05-391380 for tourist service to the cave at the rate of RM20.00 per person.

### Changkat Kruing

Changkat Kruing, in the district of Manjung, is about 70 km South-West of Ipoh. Savour here the lush and colourful flora and rock gardens, the pleasant strolls alongside the tranquil and meandering river, the seasonal but fascinating crab-catching, the recreational park and pathways with interesting man-made hardscape and softscape. These, and more, all evolving solely through the imagination, resources, determination and teamwork of its residents clinched for this rural and rustic village the winner's mantle in the 1993 National Landscape Competition among the former New Villages.



## HOW TO GET THERE

#### By Taxi

There are taxis playing major routes to Ipoh where visitors can opt for either air-conditioned or non-conditioned vehicles. This service is available from Kota Bharu, Alor Setar, Penang, Taiping and Kuala Kangsar in the North; and Cameron Highlands, Teluk Intan, Tanjung Malim and Kuala Lumpur in the South. Charges vary from RM6 to RM20 per person depending on the destination.

#### By Bus

Visitors to Perak can also opt for bus services. Several bus companies operate services from the North and South of the country to Ipoh. Some offer non-stop service direct to their destination while some offer transit routes. Routes covered include those originating from Butterworth, Kota Bharu, Kuala Kangsar, Taiping, Lumut and Batu Gajah in the North; and Singapore, Kuala Lumpur and Teluk Intan in the South.

#### By Rail

Keretapi Tanah Melayu Berhad (KTMB) or Malayan Railways operates rail services to nearly all major towns of Perak. These include the Ekspres Sinaran Pagi, Ekspres Rakyat, Senandung Malam and Ekspres Langkawi.



#### By Air

Visitors can fly to Perak by domestic flights operated by Malaysia Airlines (MAS) or Pelangi Air. Bookings can be made at MAS offices or travel agents. MAS operates regular return flights to Ipoh from Penang, Kuala Lumpur and Johor Bahru, while Pelangi Air offers direct flights from Kuala Lumpur to Ipoh and Pulau Pangkor.



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**CASUARINA HOTEL**  
18, Jalan Gopeng  
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30300 Ipoh  
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90-94, Jalan C.M. Yusoff  
30250 Ipoh  
Tel: 05-513322

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6-10, Jalan Jubilee  
30300 Ipoh  
Tel: 05-542324

**DIAMOND HOTEL**  
3-9, Jalan Pitchay  
30250 Ipoh  
Tel: 05-513644

**EASTERN HOTEL**  
118, Jalan Sultan Idris Shah  
30000 Ipoh  
Tel: 05-543936  
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**FAIRMONT HOTEL**  
10-20, Jalan Kampar  
30250 Ipoh  
Tel: 05-511004

**FRENCH HOTEL**  
60-62, Jalan Dato' Onn Jaafar  
30300 Ipoh  
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72-76, Jalan C.M. Yusoff  
30250 Ipoh  
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35, Jalan C.M. Yusoff  
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13, Jalan Toh Puan Chah  
30300 Ipoh  
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**MIKADO HOTEL**  
86-88, Jalan Yang Kalsom  
30250 Ipoh  
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**PARK HOTEL**  
19, Jalan Bendahara  
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Tel: 05-511333

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108-110, Jalan Mustafa Al-Bakri  
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32200 Lumut  
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Jalan Iskandar Shah  
32200 Lumut  
Tel: 05-934934

**Lumut Villa Inn**  
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32200 Lumut  
Tel: 05-935982

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Teluk Batik  
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32300 Pulau Pangkor  
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**Pangkor Laut Resort**  
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32200 Lumut  
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32300 Pulau Pangkor  
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32300 Pulau Pangkor  
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32000 Sitiawan  
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No 1, Taman Teratai  
32000 Sitiawan  
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32000 Sitiawan  
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33-B, Jalan Mohamad  
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**MERIDIEN HOTEL**  
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34000 Taiping  
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**PANORAMA HOTEL**  
61-79, Jalan Kota  
34000 Taiping  
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**CHEONG ONN HOTEL**  
24, Jalan Iskandar  
34000 Taiping  
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34000 Taiping  
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79, Jalan Berek  
34000 Taiping  
Tel: 05-823824

**KWONG ONN HOTEL**  
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34000 Taiping  
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35000 Tapah  
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34100 Selama  
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**PEKAN BARU HOTEL**  
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Taman Pekan Baru  
34200 Parit Buntar  
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**ORIENTAL HOTEL**  
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31900 Kampar  
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**PACIFIC HOTEL**  
45, Jalan Sungai Batu  
34900 Pantai Remis  
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**RUMAH REHAT KUALA KANGSAR**  
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33000 Kuala Kangsar  
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33000 Kuala Kangsar  
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**SUKARNO HOUSE BED & BREAKFAST**  
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Salak Utara  
31050 Kuala Kangsar  
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## BACKGROUND

Perak, the Land of Grace, covers an area of 21,000 square kilometres and has a population of about two million.

The state is divided into nine districts and its major towns include Ipoh, Kuala Kangsar, Taiping, Teluk Intan and Lumut. Kuala Kangsar is the royal town of Perak, while Ipoh is the administrative centre and state capital.



For centuries, Perak was renowned for its rich tin deposits. It is believed that the state derived its name, which means silver in Malay, from the silvery tin ore.

The discovery of tin by Long Jaafar brought about an influx of immigrants to Perak. Today, Perak has developed into a harmonious multi-racial society characterised by a diversity in language, culture and heritage.



## HISTORY

The present sultanate traces its origins to Sultan Muzaffar, the eldest son of the last Sultan of Malacca. Because of its rich tin deposits, Perak constantly faced outside threats to its sovereignty. The state was first ravaged by the Achinese in the 16th century. After 1641, the Dutch attempted to establish a monopoly over Perak's tin trade by building forts on Pangkor Island and at the mouth of Perak River, but without great success. In the 18th century, Perak was threatened by the Bugis in the South and the Thais in the north. The state was saved from Thai domination with British assistance in the 1820s.

The growing importance of tin on the world market led to an influx of Chinese miners into the rich tin fields of Larut. This development however, destabilized the traditional Malay polity in the Perak River Valley. In the 1870s the state was torn by a succession dispute to the throne and war in Larut between fueding Chinese tin miners. This led to the British intervention in 1874 when they imposed the Pangkor Engagement on the Perak chiefs and took control of the state.

Constant opposition from the Perak Chiefs resulted in the assassination of the first British Resident and a brief war. The state later became a model for the development of the British 'residential system' and in 1896 became one the four Malay states forming the Federated Malay States.

## ECONOMY



Perak has a proud track record of making the best of every circumstance. Despite the tin slump in 1983, it has succeeded in restructuring its economic development, resulting in continuous industrial growth. A sound infrastructure and facilities of international standard make it an ideal environment for business enterprise.

Originally an obscure kampung with dilapidated buildings, Ipoh, the town that tin built, has become one of the largest cities in Malaysia. Poised to become a focal point of industry, business, investment, education and social activities, Ipoh, the capital city reflects the overall progress and development that the state is experiencing.

## SHOPPING

There are many modern shopping centres and supermarkets in Perak, especially in Ipoh and the major towns. Other places where you can pick up good bargains are at the pasar malam or night markets. These are street bazaars that stock everything from local handicrafts to folk medicine, from farm-fresh product to casual wear.

### Handicraft

Traditional handicraft is a prominent cottage industry in Perak and is predominantly found in Kuala Kangsar. There are many handicraft centres which sell local crafts such as labu sayong (earthenware), tekak benang emas (gold embroidery), bamboo carvings and seashell designs. The most popular centres are at Enggor, Kampung Berala, Kampung Padang Changkat and Kampung Kepala Bendang. However, you will be able to find well-stocked handicraft centres along every route you travel, and have the opportunity to watch handicraft demonstrations.



### Local Fruits

A trip to Perak is not complete without a taste of pomelos and seedless guavas. Pomelos are citrus fruits usually the size of a soccer ball, and are grown exclusively in the state. Other succulent fruits include seasonal rambutans, mangosteens, mangoes and durians.

### "Pasar Malam" — Night Market

Pasar malam make a fascinating visit for the experience of witnessing sheer entrepreneurship in action. Comprising makeshift stalls which stock anything from folk medicine and fresh fruits to household utensils and fashionwear, these night bazaars are a treat for the senses and a paradise for bargain hunters.